

Lubrizol Corp

IRREGULARITY REPORT

Type: Complaint ☐ Pollution ☒ Unpermitted Discharge ☐

District 1 County 008 River 10 Date of Inspection 5/15/70

Location of Discharge: West of Lubrizol from their skimming ponds into Patrick's Bayou
thence into the Houston Ship Channel.

Nature of Discharge: Skimming pond overflow - discharged waste-lubricant products plus
water.

How and When Discovered: Received a phone call from Mr. Phil Krug, Assistant General
Manager of Lubrizol; the overflow was discovered at 7:30 am, May 15.

Name and Address of Complainant: N/A

Name and Address of Discharger: Lubrizol Corporation, P.O. Box 158, Deer Park, Tex.
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Description and Narration:

On May 15, 1970, Mr. P. Krug, Assistant General Manager, Lubrizol, called our office to report an oil spill from their skimming ponds into Patrick's Bayou, thence into the Houston Ship Channel. Mr. C. Masterson and I contacted Mr. P. Krug, Mr. Scott Barra, Assistant Production Manager, Mr. Al Lee, Plant Technologist, and Mr. W. P. Martens, General Manager of Lubrizol Corporation. With these gentlemen, we observed the spill into Patrick's Bayou.

Approximately 500 gallons of waste-lubricant and water spilled over their Dorr-skimmer into Patrick's Bayou. The waste-lubricant discolored the Bayou to a chocolate brown color and it covered an area of about 40 yards. Booms were placed in several places containing the oily substance adequately. No oil had escaped over the final boom. At two points, vacuum trucks were withdrawing the oil and it appeared that they were doing a sufficient job.

A request was made and granted from Central Office to use a new chemical (Petroform B-2000) in clean-up procedures, but due to an unusual rainfall, the chemical was not used.

Clean-up procedures were sufficient and Lubrizol did all they could in containing, retaining and recovering the unwanted material.

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